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In re application of

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Application No. **NEW NON-PROVISIONAL** Group

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A DEVICE FOR MOUNTING AND DISMOUNTING TIRES OF WHEELS POSITIONED ON A WHEEL SUPPORT OF A TIRE CHANGING MACHINE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 3, 2004

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.